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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: ACID-SENSITIVE COMPOUNDS, THEIR PREPARATION AND

**USES** 

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We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with this patent application.

- 1. Specification- 88 pages, including an Abstract, and including 4 independent claims and 38 claims total.
- 2. Drawings- 8 sheets of drawings (Figure One to Figure Eight).
- 3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee						\$	740.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	38	-	20	18	x \$18		324.00
Independent Claims	4	-	3	1	x \$84		84.00
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4. A check for \$1148.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$740.00 filing fee; and \$408.00 additional claims fee.

5. Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/239,116 filed October 11, 2000, which is incorporated by reference herein this application.

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due and any other fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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